

**\$2.00**  
**Per Year**

NUMBER 27

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1953

## County Due \$91,000 B. C. 1

County Debt will receive a \$1,000,000 loan from the State Highway Department, according to a letter received by the County Board of Supervisors last morning by State Representative Ralph P. Egerton, chief examiner of Public Accounts for the State Highway Department. The State Highway Department agreed to reimburse County 50% of the cost of grading and drainage for the new road system where it was built under the State-County road system and where the County paid 100% of the cost.

Entire text of the letter reads:  
"Dear Sir:  
"I am advised by Mr. Truman of the State Highway Department that the Director agreed to receive  
if at any time I may be service to you or your company, please  
write me.  
"Very truly yours, Ralph P. Egerton, chief examiner."

## Christmas Seals on Sale

The Christmas season came in officially last week in 1936, and the county and Elba when letters were received containing Christmas seals for sale. Each year to provide funds for the fight against tuberculosis. This year, John, Brunson is again

county are considered.

The seals, picturing a little boy and a girl, are sold by order and stocking cap, holding a book of cards in his red mittened hands as he sings, look good on cards and packages.

Children have been singing

He reports that although a few citizens have sent in their return envelopes, the response has been slow. "We are in the less than month remaining before Christmas, the people in this area are asked to do their part in this activity," says the county has been set at \$168. This is small when compared with the resources of the county. One of the poorest counties in Alabama. It is even smaller

when the 55 cases of TB in the mas seals, Mr. Brunson asks.

**37 Years Ago in Elba**

By C. B. McDowell

—27 Years Ago—

chased a large quantity of seal

Mrs. L. C. Poffel was hostess to the Young Matrons Club on Tuesday afternoon. Guests included Mesdames Will Bishop, Sam Wise, E. A. Symons, Fred Poffel, J. C. Lee, D. E. Lee, B. A. Moses, S. H. Brock, E. M. Buck, Gardner Clark, Jordan Lindsey, H. Tatum, J. N. Ham Jr., N. L. Ham, J. M. Garrett, W. W. Gunkler, W. W. Sanders, A. H. Cook,

John Sathers, Jr., E. E. Brown, Misses Lola Flow, Zed Rowe, Nettie Flournoy, Lucy Brown. Will Olive Holloway, Alice Ham, Lurline Ham and Mary Bailey.

—37 Years Ago—

Rev. E. J. Mills, pastor of the Elba Methodist Church, has been returned for another year by the Alabama Conference in session at Selma the past week.

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Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ham announce the birth of a daughter.

in the Troy District. Rev. J. T. Cameron has also been returned to the Mission work at Elba. W. R. Bickerstaff is presiding elder of Troy District.

—37 Years Ago—

Misses Lucy Brunson and Zadie Rowe and Messrs. R. C. Bryan and J. F. Brunson were visitors in Troy last Sunday.

37 Years Ago

On Nov. 29 at Kimney Memorial Clinic.

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Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Kendrick spent Sunday in Brundidge in the home of their daughter, Mrs Jack Dickert and Mr. Dickert.

Mr. & Mrs. Billy Oggs and children, Butch and Candace spent Wednesday and Thursday

The old wooden building on the South side of Davis Street, formerly occupied by Dorsey Bros., has a garage is being torn down.

—37 Years Ago—

Mr. Thorpe, of the firm of Dickson & Rutledge, arrived in Eliza the first of the week to make preparations for the installation of a stove mill. Mr. Dickson states that his company is in Birmingham with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Rex Oggs.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Martin visited in Dothan last week.

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Watkins and Mrs. Eva Easters spent Sunday in Troy with Mr. & Mrs. Harold Watkins.

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Representative and Mrs. E. H. Stokes spent last weekend in

has already leased the power plant of the Garrett Gin Company in West Elba where the sawmill will be located. He expects to have the mill in operation within the next 30 days. This company has already purchased

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Marshall Ringsdorf of the Alabama Dental College in Birmingham spent the weekend with his parents, Dr. & Mrs. W. M. Ringsdorf.

## Annual Celebration

eret T. Waites—Hartford, Mrs.  
 William Dan Campbell, Mrs. D.  
 J. Lubert, Mrs. Ideal Cox Bryant,  
 & Mrs. G. C. Conner and  
 Dickson, Mr. & Mrs. B. Moody  
 —Montgomery.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Victor Taylor, Mrs.  
 Louise Cox Campbell—Ozark, Mrs.  
 Lula Beall—Luverne, Mr. & Mrs.  
 W. T. Whitman, Mr. & Mrs.  
 D. Whitman Jr., Mrs. T. H. Ky-

Bay, Topsy Hyrd O Neal—  
 Andalusia, Frances Sanders  
 Holway—Montgomery, Mrs. A. C.  
 Guman, Mrs. Edlow Jacobs, Mrs.  
 Elsie Bean, Mrs. Hugh Richburg,  
 Mrs. T. E. Hubbard, Mrs. H. S.  
 Myers, Daniel Black—Opp, Ev-  
 ey—Troy, C. N. Kendrick—South  
 Port, Fla., Mrs. T. J. Brooks, A.  
 J. Rivenbark—Samson, Mr. &  
 Mrs. Jessie R. Taylor—Jackson-  
 ville, Mr. & Mrs. L. D. Thagard  
 —Brantley, Mrs. Annie Lee King  
 —Columbia, Mrs. Max Fortner  
 —Auburn.

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set down in the Bible as hated by God. (See the Scripture for the week.) The crushing of the weak by the strong is a problem always with us; but in our country we do at least try to keep the doors of opportunity open for every one.



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that your community has (as it does, no doubt) a variety of churches. The question is: Is every one in your community welcomed in all these churches? Are there persons in your community who never come to church, because they have never been asked?

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But he never said a word about aid to India, because in the first place the Galileans themselves lived on the edge of starvation and in the second place if they had more wheat or surplus wheat they could have reached India with a quart of it.

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**Elba Clipper**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State, at the Capital City of Montgomery, on this 15th day of October 1933.

CURDON PERSONS,  
Governor.

Attest:  
Miss AGNES BAGGETT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State, at the Capital City of Montgomery, on this 18th day of October 1933.

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colors.

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### Kinston News

Mr. & Mrs. George Clark spent the holidays in Pensacola with Mr. & Mrs. F. C. Mason and Miss Nell Williams.

Mr. & Mrs. T. B. Steels and children, Myshon and Tommie of Haines City, Fla. visited here Friday.

Mr. & Mrs. L. L. Hataway and son, Louie Jr. spent last week end and the first of the week with Mr. & Mrs. G. S. Owen of Opp at their home near Foley. They fished for speckled trout. John Pierce recently spent a week in South Florida visiting Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Bragg and family.

Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Cain and Rex, visited Mr. & Mrs. Berry Clark during Thanksgiving.

Dr. & Mrs. E. C. Moore of Montgomery visited Mrs. R. E. Williams several days last week.

Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Weeks and daughters, of Lawrence, Mich. were guests of Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Weeks the first of last week.

Mrs. W. C. Willis of Pensacola visited friends here last Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Price of Panama City came last Friday to spend the week with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Weeks, Mrs. Weeks and Ella Jean.

Dr. & Mrs. Roy W. Williams and children of Guilford visited their mother's Mrs. E. Williams and Mrs. George Gentry during the holidays.

Mr. & Mrs. George Collier Jr. of Brooklyn community and Mrs. L. M. Goodson and Miss Lurey Gentry of Kinston and Cecil and Cecil Archie of Opp R. I. to Kinston City, Ala. to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Johnson and son Thomas of Loxley, Ala. were weekend guests of Mrs. T. M. Holey.

Mrs. Charles Davis of Elba spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Carley. Also spending the weekend last week Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Morris of Shawmut and Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Carley and family of Phenix City and Sunday dinner guests included Miss Glinda and Winola Metcalf.

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Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Johnson, Miss Janice Richardson of Abbeville and Charles Richardson of STC in Troy spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. T. J. Richardson.

Spending Thanksgiving week end with Mrs. C. T. Russell, Mr. & Mrs. A. R. Garcia and the Lehman Donaldsons were Mrs. Hugh Tyson and children of Lanett. Spending Thanksgiving Day were Mr. & Mrs. P. Holland and daughter Kitty of Crestview.

Misses Sandra and Phyllis Taylor of Montgomery spent the holidays with their cousin, Miss Elaine Stuart, Mr. & Mrs. Herman Pouncey of Montgomery were weekend guests of Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Stuart.

Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Coon and Nancy accompanied Mr. & Mrs. Dewey Hataway to Texas last week to visit relatives. They left early Tuesday morning and stopped in New Iberia, La. to visit Mr. Coon's niece, Mrs. Clyde Johnson. They visited Mr. Coon's brother, Richard in Orange, Texas. Mr. & Mrs. Hataway were on their way to Randolph Air Force Base to visit their son, George D. Jr. who is in the hospital following an appendectomy.

They found Brookridge Park, the Alamo, Buckhorn and other places of interest in San Antonio. George went into Mexico from Laredo, Texas. George Jr. was able to spend every day with them and is convalescing nicely but expects to be in the hospital for two more weeks.

The Coons went to see Gen. of the Richard Coon, in Fort Arthur, Texas, who have a girl who is very pretty and polite. They also visited another grandchild of the Richard Coons, Kay Nette Webb, suffering from paralytic polio.

They both have been sick since July, 1951.

Mrs. David Campbell and family of Georgetown spent the day Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. T. H. Campbell. Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Johnson and Mr. & Mrs. F. H. Pair were hosts for the family at the Pair home on Thanksgiving Day. Present were Mr. & Mrs. Felix Donaldson, Joe Donaldson and Mrs. Sallie Holloway of Curtis, Mr. & Mrs. Rose Taylor of Evergreen, Miss Tom Johnson, Miss Winola Donaldson and Mrs. Manuel Russo and children of Andalusia.

Mr. & Mrs. Perschello Day and children of Elba were guests of Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Donaldson during the holidays. Mr. Day recently accepted a position with the Georgia Mill Packing Co. in Opelika and expects to move

his family there soon.

The home of Mrs. George Gentry was the place of a family reunion and Thanksgiving Day dinner. All of her children and their families were present: Mr. & Mrs. George Gentry Jr. and daughters, Mr. & Mrs. Holand Gentry of Greenville, Dr. & Mrs. Roy W. Williams of Culman and Mr. & Mrs. Frank Horton and sons of Andalusia.

Mr. & Mrs. W. M. Brookstock and family of Columbus, Ga. were weekend guests of Mr. & Mrs. C. M. Blalock.

CHURCH GATHERING

New Brockton and Elba will

be represented by a delegation

of 15 at the Circuit Assembly of

Jehovah's witnesses in Colum-

buss, Ga. Dec. 4-6.

Those attending will be Mr. & Mrs. H. G. Harper, Lamar

Harper, Mr. & Mrs. Talmadge

Todd, Mrs. Annie Laurie Harper,

Tommie Harper, Misses Betty

and Faye Wise, Mrs. Rosie

Strickland and son, Mrs. Olivia

Padgett, Lawanda Padgett and

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The Steak That Men Fancy

Swift Select T-Bone lb

**STEAK 77c**

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Swift Select Chuck lb

**ROAST 39c**

The Roast Preferred by Most

Swift Select Club lb

**STEAK 49c**

They Excite the Appetite

Grd. Many Times Daily lb

**BEEF 39c**

Just Right Rib

Swift's Premium Sliced Sweet

**STEW 19c**

Smoked Flavor lb

**BACON 69c**

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Enjoy the Full Flavor of  
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Pimento, Olive or  
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**SPREADS 23c**

Amer. Loaf  
**CHEESE**

1 1/2 lb Bag

**67c**

Cucumber Wafer jar

**PICKLES 25c**

Ply. Fresh Grd. lb

**COFFEE 84c**

Softsilk Cake 44 oz

**FLOUR 42c**

With O-Cello Sponge Free!

**FRUIT CAKE MATERIAL**

Pineapple 4 oz 25c  
Cherries Pkg. 25c

Diced Peel 2 25c  
Lemon or 4 oz 25c  
Orange Pkg. 25c

No. 1 Cobbler 10 lbs

**POTATOES 29c**

Green Head lb

**CABBAGE 5c**

New Crop Pole lb

**BEANS 29c**

Fancy Florida lb

**CUCUMBERS 19c**

Juicy Florida lb

**ORANGES 5c**

**Elba, Alabama**

## CLASSIFIED

**FOR SALE**  
Female pointer bird dog. One-year-old. Also used fuel oil heater. Good condition. Priced right. Jack Wise.

**PORTABLE FEED CRUSHING**  
At your barn. Any amount. Write or call Wade Polson, New Brockton, Ala. 11p

**WANTED TO BUY**  
Small used adding machine in good condition. Electric with 7 columns preferred. F. A. Farris. 31p Dec. 3-17

**FOR SALE—ALL OR PART**  
1948 Ford Tractor with equipment; 1952 Turner Peanut Picker complete; 1948 Chevrolet 3-4 ton pickup; 1-1/2 ton International, 1948, 2-speed, long wheel base and other farm equipment. G. M. Miles, 2 miles south of Troy highway, near Cox's Store. 21p Dec. 3-10

**TIMBER FOR SALE**  
200 acres of timber, saw and pulp wood. G. M. Miles, 2 miles south of Troy highway, near Cox's store. 11p

**FOR RENT**  
Three-room furnished apartment. Private bath. Miss Eunora Farris, Phone 472. 11p

**FOR SALE**  
Small three-room house without the lot. Made of hard heart lumber. Can be easily moved. Box 55, Elba, Ala. 31p Dec. 3-10-17-24

**FOR SALE**  
95 acres land on north side of Elba-New Brockton highway about 2-1/4 miles from Elba. Call or write Mrs. Mary Marsh, Elington, Laverne, Ala. 41p Dec. 3-10-17-24

**HELP WANTED FEMALE**  
Earn extra cash doing assembly work at home, pleasant, easy to assemble product. Good pay. Write to Kenroe Mfg. Co., Yorktown, Ind. 11p

**NOTICE**  
All individuals or groups wishing to "adopt" a newspaper clipping for Christmas are asked to contact the Welfare Dept. in Elba not later than Dec. 15 if possible.

**PICTURES**  
If any picture appearing in the Elba Clipper may be released at the newspaper office. 5 X 8 prints are \$1.05, 8 X 10 are \$2.00.

**DOGWOOD WANTED**  
For prices and specifications see or write M. R. Stricklin, Mill located at Bullock Route 2, Brantley, Ala. M. R. Stricklin, 41p Nov. 12-19-26-Dec. 5

**WOOD FOR SALE**  
Any length wood needed. See or call Jack Veal, Phone 462. 11p

**STAPLING MACHINES**  
This is the Elba Clipper. It is the only stapler on sale anywhere that drives the staples through as many as 34 sheets of paper, removes the staples, can be used as a tacker by removing from the base, and can also be used as a pier-type machine. You've seen this machine advertised in the SATURDAY EVENING POST. The price is \$25.50. The Bottish salesman will be around Elba on Saturday, December 5th to demonstrate this machine to you. He'll also tell you how to get one ABSOLUTELY FREE. To be sure that the Bottish salesman doesn't miss you on December 5th, call or write the Elba Clipper, and leave your name and address.

Nov. 12-19-26-Dec. 5

**CLASSIFIED RATES**  
A classified ad in the Elba Clipper will reach 3600 people in this community at a cost of 3 cents per word for the first insertion and two cents per word for each subsequent insertion. Minimum ad, 50c—all ads payable in advance.

**WORMS FOR SALE**  
Extra fat, juicy English worms C. B. and Roy E. McDowell, in West Elba, Ala.

**PAINT CANS FOR SALE**  
Five gallon paint cans for sale, 25c each, as long as they last. Have many uses around the home. Can be used for garbage, water, etc. Dorsey Bros. Garage, Fortner.

**FOR SALE**  
One large size windmill on 40 steel tower, in perfect working condition—Also one 850 gallon cypress water tank on separate 35' steel tower. Both windmill and water tank, \$200. See J. H. English at Probate Office, 31c Nov. 26-Dec. 10

Hoping without planning is about as futile as waiting for ship to come in that never sailed.

Coffee to Have  
New Meaning for  
American Hostesses

BRONXVILLE, N. Y.—One of the nation's leading lexicographers has answered a question that has long puzzled hostesses: What do you call an informal party at which coffee is to be served?

Clarence L. Barnhart, editor of the Thorndike-Barnhart dictionary, says that the sensible name for such affairs is "a coffee." At the same time he announced that future editions would contain the following definition:

"Coffee, a social gathering, often in the morning, at which coffee is served."

The decision to include the additional definition was made, Mr. Barnhart says, after his research staff had studied U. S. newspapers for many months.

Mr. Barnhart pointed out that the word "tea," meaning a social affair, was reputedly originated by Jonathan Swift in 1738.

"For want of a more accurate descriptive term, our coffee-serving hostesses have, for nearly two centuries, called their parties 'tea,'" the new definition of coffee provides a solution which, I am happy to report, has the approval of Miss Amy Vanderbilt, author of the Complete Book of Etiquette.

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